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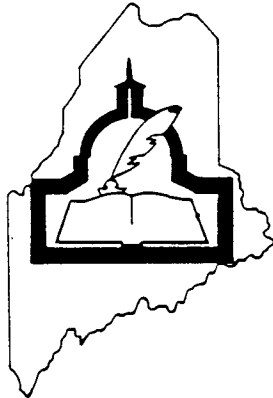
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

All Adopted Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor if it is a floor amendment or the designation "COMMITTEE" if it is a committee amendment.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

Please let us know if you would prefer a different format or additional information and if the summaries are helpful.

Key to Committee Reports and Floor Action:

OTP	Ought to Pass
OTP-ND	Ought to Pass in New Draft
OTP-ND-NT	Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
OTP-A	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

LD
953

AN ACT TO PROVIDE INCREASED PENALTIES FOR
DOOR-TO-DOOR FRAUD

PL 1987
c. 202

Sponsor: BRANNIGAN, Cote, Gurney
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: The consumer solicitation sales laws require door-to-door sellers to use a written contract and to wait 3 days before starting any repair work, such as driveway paving or home siding. The purposes of this bill are to insure that the written contract contains the address of the seller's permanent place of business and to make any violation of these laws a Class D. Currently, a violation is a Class E crime.

LD
954

AN ACT TO AMEND THE MAINE LEMON LAW

ND LD 1735

Sponsor: BRANNIGAN, Cote, Gurney
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1735

SUMMARY: See New Draft, LD 1735.

LD
965

AN ACT RELATING TO RADON GAS

H-ENG
S-ONTP

Sponsor: DORE, Joseph, Nadeau, G.G.,
Committee Report: ONTP (Majority)
OTP (Minority)

Amendments Adopted:
H-198 ALLEN

SUMMARY: This bill requires that the real estate broker involved in the sale of a property provide the prospective purchaser within 10 days of signing the contract with a notice of his right to have a radon test conducted. If the test indicates that radon is present the purchaser may break the contract.

This bill is similar to LD 552 except that LD 552 required that the notice be on the real estate transfer tax form and provided no recourse if radon was discovered.

House Amendment A: The original bill required that within 10 days of signing a real estate contract a purchaser be advised of his right to have a radon test conducted. This amendment requires that a prospective purchaser be advised of this right before making an offer. This amendment also makes technical corrections.